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Medigap Helpline (Insurance)

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CURRENT LAW

The Board on Aging and Long-Term Care operates a Medigap helpline, which is supported by insurance fee revenue transferred from the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI) to the Board. The Board's staff provide information and counseling on Medicare supplemental insurance, long-term care insurance and medical assistance to persons who call the toll-free helpline. The Board bills OCI monthly for costs associated with the Medigap helpline.

GOVERNOR

Provide \$31,600 in 2001-02 and \$38,000 in 2002-03 to fund increases in funding provided under the bill for the Board to operate the Medigap helpline.

MODIFICATION

Reduce OCI's funding for the Medigap helpline by \$4,400 PR annually to reflect the actual level of expenditures authorized under the bill for the Board to operate the Medigap helpline.

Explanation: The modification is needed to reconcile the differences between the amounts authorized for the Medigap helpline under OCI's budget and the Board's budget.

Modification	PR
2001-03 FUNDING (Change to Bill)	- \$8,800

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